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Applicant(s): Leonard Forbes

Invention: INTEGRATED CIRCUIT AND METHOD FOR MINIMIZING CLOCK SKEWS

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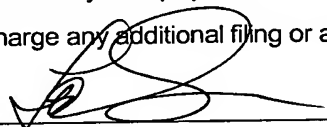
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

MS Amendment
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the rejection dated October 25, 2005. Claims 67-82, 86-89, and 92-98 are pending in the application. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the original claims and other claims in this and other applications.

Claims 67-82, 86-89 and 98 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicant's admitted prior art (APA) in view of Nishimura et al. (US 5,013,942) and further in view of Doblar et al. (US 6,477,205). This rejection is respectfully traversed. In order to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness "the prior art reference (or references when combined) must teach or suggest all the claim